



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re-application of:

PEETERS *et al.*

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For: **Method Of and System For Optimizing The Capacity Of A Digital Communication System In Presence Of Both Internal And External Noise**

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Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated January 26, 2007, (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper Paper No. 20061219), Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks.

It is believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are not required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.